

## **Poughkeepsie-Dutchess County Transportation Council**

### ***Connections 2025* Summary of Plan Revisions November 2003**

*Connections 2025* was completed in July 2003, and released for public review and comment in August. This is a summary of changes that have been made to the long-range plan since July. All changes will be included in the final adopted version of *Connections 2025*.

#### **Introduction**

- Modified the demographic information to reflect release of additional Census 2000 data

#### **Metropolitan Transportation System**

- No major changes

#### **Transportation Issues and Goals**

- Added section on Greenway Connections, the Dutchess County Greenway Compact

#### **Financial Resources**

- Modified the financial tables to reflect changes in the long-term plan recommendations

#### **Plan Recommendations**

##### Plan Accomplishments

- Added a description of the recently completed LaGrange Town Center Plan

##### Short-Term Recommendations

- Added description of Newburgh-Beacon Ferry Service

##### Long-Term Recommendations

- Removed Route 9 widening project in Wappingers Falls, because it was also listed as a short-term project
- Reclassified the CR 40A widening project as a Future Study project
- Expanded discussion of pedestrian and bicycle projects
- Included list of project recommendations for recently completed plans in Wappingers Falls, Hopewell Junction, LaGrange and the Harlem Valley (Route 22).
- Added discussion of Greenway Connections

#### Future Studies

- Added description of the Regional Transportation and Visitors Center in Hyde Park
- Added description of the Scenic Byways Plan
- Expanded discussion of bicycle and pedestrian projects to include connections among major regional facilities

#### **Air Quality and Energy Analysis**

- Completed the required air quality conformity analysis for Connections 2025
- Completed an energy analysis for *Connections 2025* as requested by NYSDOT

The revised sections are available for review by interested parties. The final version of Connections 2025 will be produced in early 2004.